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Sir:

Applicants are in receipt of the January 10, 2008 Notice to File Corrected Application Papers, wherein the United States Patent and Trademark Office indicated that Replacement Drawings are required particularly with respect to Fig. 8A.

In response to the Notice, Applicants are submitting on even date herewith a Replacement Sheet with respect to Fig. 8A in connection with the above-identified application. Entry and approval of the same is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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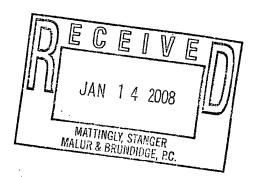
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IDENTIFICATION OF DRAWING DEFICIENCIES

| ₽ | There is a hole or the image thereof within the illustration. FIG(s) |
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| | The character of the lines, numbers and letters is poor. FIG(s) |
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| | ☐ Petition filed |
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| | Color drawing paragraph |

COMMENTS: Fig. 8A drawings contain hand written corrections. Please provide replacement drawings.

^{*}If color drawings are not elected, then applicant **must respond** so stating. Also, references to color drawings in the specification, if any, must be amended.381.